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> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003 for Three(3) month(s) from October 15, 2003 to January 15, 2004. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/ARC-2300N2/ARO-7793/LJC in then name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

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